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Orinda Protests County Zoning Ordinance

The County Board of Supervisors voted to send the proposed zoning ordinance for Orinda back to the County Planning Commission following a verbal and written protest of the Orinda Association at Monday's scheduled hearing in Martinez.

Officially the matter will not be referred to the planning body for further consideration until the Supervisor's first meeting in January because of the absence of Jack Cummings during December. Cummings left this week for a vacation trip to South America. As a member of the Planning Commission and since Orinda is in his district, he asked that no action be taken until his return.

STRONG PROTEST

Officials of the Orinda Association vigorously protested the Zoning plan as recommended by the County Planning Commission which spent a year studying the problems. Zoning maps were first published a few weeks ago in the ORINDA SUN.

The Supervisors were told that the Commission's recommendations ignored the desires of Orinda residents.

"The County Planning Commission has ignored . . . giving consideration to several vital and important recommendations that the residents of the area demand be given further consideration," Clarence Betz, Orinda Association secretary stated.

LENGTHY LETTER

He was reading from a three-page protest letter submitted to the Supervisors by the Orinda Association.

Ritchie Smith, association president, spoke first, explaining the organization of the Orinda Association, which represents "all of the improvement associations existing in the Orinda Elementary School District and in matters of general interest . . . the board of directors, acting on the advice of the Civic Affairs committee, is empowered to speak for the community and the residents of the area."

The Association asked that the "entire matter be referred back . . to the Planning Commission for further study . ."

RS OR RA?

The primary complaint was zoning of certain areas RS (residential — with minimum of 10,000 square feet) instead of RA (minimum lots of one half acre). The Association asks that Hacienda del Orinda, Moraga Glorietta and Moraga Manor be zoned RA instead of RS.

The Association urged that the business section at the Crossroads be extended no further north on the highway than Davis Road. The Commission recommended that the business section be allowed well beyond the road.

UNSUBDIVIDED LANDS

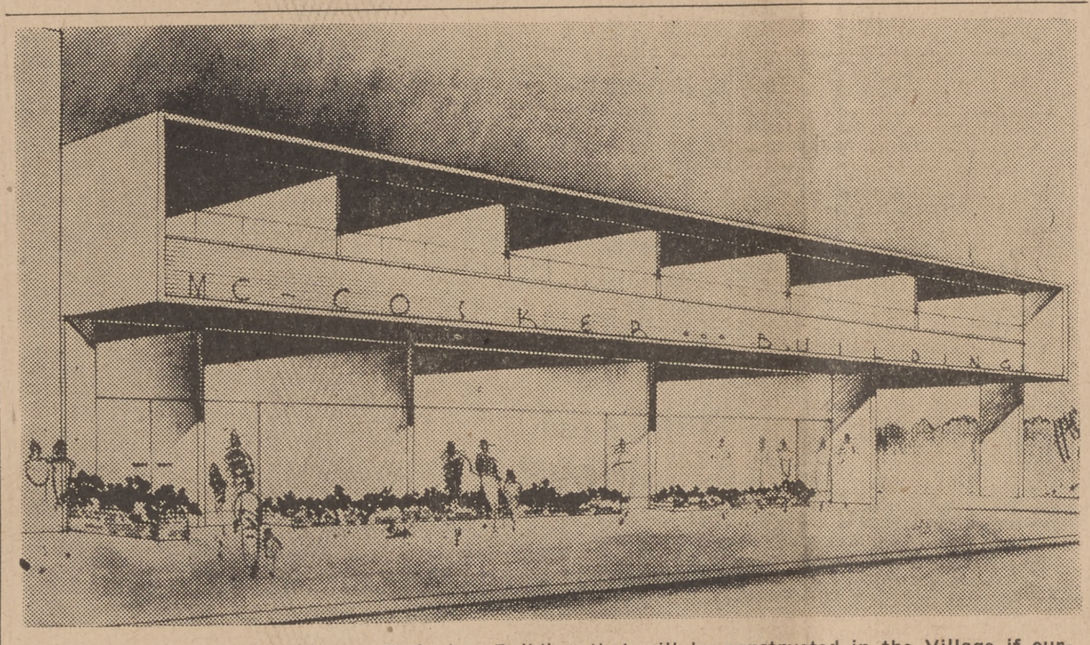
Exception was also made to the proposed zoning of unsubdivided lands in various section of Orinda. A complete summary of the Association's recommendations of these and other problems will be presented next week.

Present from Orinda at the hearing were Theo Crooks, Jack Bower, Sherer Culver, A. R. Cianciarulo, Ralph Hall, N. S. Dodge, J. B. McMahon, Herbert Hauser, Smith and Betz.

Bestor Robinson, representing the Moraga Land Company, spoke against zoning certain areas RA — on half acre — and asked that provision be made to establish a neighborhood shopping center at Glorietta and Moraga Highway. He urged the Supervisors to let the Planning Commission decide the issues.

CARMEL FRIENDS HERE

Miss Anne Hazen and Miss Ruth Price entertained friends from Carmel during Thanksgiving week.



THIS IS THE PROPOSED new McCosker Building that will be constructed in the Village if current plans are realized. This preliminary sketch is by architect Jack Buchter.

Mrs. Dawson to Be New Librarian

Orinda's new County Library will open January 1 with Mrs. E. A. Dawson of Orinda Highway as librarian.

The Orinda Lions Club has volunteered to build and furnish material for shelves for the library which will be located in the Belfrey of the Orinda Church.

When the new Sunday School building is completed, the Library will move to a new location in the basement, it was reported by Mrs. Ewert Phair who made arrangements for the library as a representative of the Orinda Mothers' Club.

The Mothers' Club wishes to express its appreciation to both Mrs. Dawson and the Orinda Lions Club for their help, Mrs. Phair added.

Free Chest X-rays To be Given Next Week at Acalanes

Free tuberculosis fluoroscopic chest examinations will be available to local residents at Acalanes Union High School Wednesday and Thursday afternoons of next week!

The service is an annual project of the Contra Costa County Tuberculosis and Health Association, financed by their annual sale of Christmas seals.

Persons whose x-rays are positive will be notified by mail following a medical evaluation of the examinations.

In the mornings high school students and staff will be offered the test.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL TEA

The Children's Hospital of the East Bay will hold an exhibit tea at the Hotel Claremont Tuesday between one and four.

Among the booth exhibits will be walnut wreaths covered with cellophane made by the Orinda Branch. Tea and cake will be served.

TRAVEL NIGHT

The second "Travel Night," sponsored by the Worden Travel Agency will be held at the Willows, in Orinda, at 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 5. The theme of the show is Mexico. A color and sound film will be shown and the admission is free.

Proposed McCosker Building to Have Auditorium Available for Meetings

Tentative plans for construction in the Village of a new commercial building with an auditorium hall on the second floor were announced today by a committee of the newly-organized Masonic Ashlar Club.

Preliminary floor plans for the building, which may be constructed by A. J. McCosker, indicate a modern structure 102 feet deep with a 60-foot front, to be located on the McCosker property just west of Orinda Motors, across from the Orinda Firehouse. It's estimated cost is $80,000 to $90,000.

In addition to three stores and large warehouse space on the first floor, plans call for six offices and a meeting hall on the second floor.

AVAILABLE TO GROUPS

The meeting hall will be administered by a board of trustees composed of Orinda Masons and a representative of McCosker. It will be available to all Orinda organizations, according to Bing Crosby of the Masonic group.

"Actual construction of the building now hinges on securing tenants for the stores, offices and warehouse space," explains Abe Doty, who is handling the leasing of the building.

Crosby stated that one store and several of the offices have been rented with prospects in sight of leasing the other space.

HELP ASKED

"We are anxious to get the building started, so that Orinda can have an adequate meeting place," Crosby said. "We urge anyone interested to help us bring this plan to realization. The hall and auditorium may become Orinda's civic center until one is built in the Community Center."

The meeting hall is 60 by 60 feet with a stage, kitchen and storage space at one end. The hall can be divided in two sections by modern-fold doors, according to architect Jack Buchter, who designed the plans.

Mike Murphy, president of the Orinda Dramateurs, was consulted on dimensions of the stage.

Richit Property Reported Sold

Victor H. Richit's legal representative has informed the District Attorney's office that he will provide full information clarifying his client's right to build two houses on what Richit's Orinda neighbors term "one lot". He also told Deputy District Attorney Matthew Walker that the property in question has been sold to an outside party.

Walker told the SUN, "If Richit actually has sold the second parcel of land to someone, there is no further action possible through this office."

James F. Hoey, Richit's attorney, told Walker that he would provide proof of his client's arguments as well as of the sale to an outside party. The deputy district attorney is now awaiting this material and further action, as Walker stated, is contingent on whether or not the property has actually been sold.

PROTEST WRITTEN

The controversy arose several months ago when residents of the Moraga Highway-Lloyd Lane area wrote the county protesting erection of two dwellings on what they termed one piece of land. With Orinda under interim zoning which limits owners to a single residence per lot, the complaints were referred to the County Planning Commission.

Thomas Heaton, County planning technician, talked to Richit. The latter declared he did not intend to go ahead with another structure on said lot. However, recently some excavation was started and the controversy started again.

PURCHASED WHEN UNZONED

The Orinda contractor says he purchased the property when it was unzoned and does not intend to apply for a land use permit. The land in question already has one home built on it; the lot is approximately 95 by 132 feet and Richit says it will be cut in half, thus affording two parcels of ground approximately 6000 feet square.

Under a zoning ordinance proposed for this area, the minimum size of a single plot will be 10,000 square feet and limited to one residence.

Altar Society Elects Officers

The newly organized Altar Society of Santa Maria Church met on Tuesday evening, November 16, at Mrs. Edward Barrett's home on Moraga Highway.

The election of officers took place that evening. They are: Mrs. Romulus D'Arezzo, President; Mrs. Edward Barrett, Vice President; Mrs. Roy Warren, Treasurer; and Mrs. John Stoffel, Secretary.

At the meeting Father Albert Duffy gave a short talk, and Mrs. Charles Malone reported on the activities of the sewing section.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Donald White, Mrs. Edward Barrett and Mrs. Anthony Cianciarulo.

Civic Affairs to Investigate Two Way Radio to Call For Police

The Civic Affairs Committee of the Orinda Association plowed through an agenda ranging from landscaping to putting up street signs at is conclave Monday night

E. J. Phair was appointed to investigate use of the Orinda fire department's two way radio facilities for residents to call police assistance. He will confer with the fire commissioners and report later. It has been called to the committee's attention that many people do not know how to obtain police help on short notice, and the group will attempt to work out a simple, speedy system. At present, a resident can get assistance by phoning the sheriff in Martinez, reported Mrs. Ernest Spiegl, committee secretary.

A talk was given the meeting by landscape architect Howard Gilkey. He discussed landscaping the community center grounds but plans on this are indefinite at present.

The sewer situation was reported on, but further investigations are to be made, Mrs. Spiegl said. C. A. Coggins received an appointment as chairman of a group to do something about putting up street signs in Orinda.

Sanitary Board Considers Doing Its Own Engineering

Two questions now face the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District Board of Directors following Tuesday night's special meeting to discuss establishing the District's own engineering department headed by its own district engineer and manager. This proposal was presented at the Board's regular meeting November 18.

The questions are:

Has the district sufficient working capital to set up its own engineering department?

Board members are now studying the various funds available to determine if this is possible.

Can the District perform its own engineering work for less money than by contracting it out to a private engineering firm?

At present Clyde C. Kennedy Company is serving as district engineer and is doing the engineering jobs under contract.

MAJORITY SAYS YES

At the meeting Tuesday night, Hal Toland presented figures which he said corraborated his contention that the District can save its taxpayers thousands of dollars each year by setting up its own engineering department. The other members of the majority, W. R. Wadsworth and L. H. Weill, expressed themselves along these lines.

Col. H. M. Smitten, who with Elliott Johnson is vigorously opposing the move, cited figures asserting that the proposal would cost the District large sums of money. He said in effect that to purchase the cars and trucks and engineering equipment would be very expensive, as would be the operation of the District's own engineering staff.

Johnson was absent from the meeting, but he has made it clear that he is opposed to the plan.

KENNEDY STATEMENT

Clyde C. Kennedy pointed out that experience has proved that a private engineering firm can do the job more economically than a public organization. He said that his firm isn't getting rich from the District's contract.

Earlier Kennedy explained that his interpretation of the contract was that it called for completion of the entire district, but that he would agree to modify it, if this were the wish of the board.

The Board majority emphasized that any work that Kennedy is now doing would be completed by him. However, under the proposal, presented by Weill in the form of a resolution last week, new District projects would be undertaken by the District's own engineering staff.

Last week when it was proposed to create the job of district manager and engineer, Kennedy immediately emphasized there would be conflicting authority between his organization and the new officeholder.

UNABLE TO CONTINUE

He said, "There is apparently here a plan to reorganize. If you want to breach the contract you have with me, that's all right, but that resolution as proposed, wherein it allows the new office holder to prepare specifications, supervise work and certify completion under the assessment act, sets up a conflict in authority under which I, as executive administrative officer for this board could not continue to function responsibly as your district engineer.

Toland reiterated his stand that it has always been the Board's intention to set up its own engineering staff if and when it was to the advantage of the district.

Wadsworth Takes Over as President Sanitary District

Highlighted by the resignation of Elliot Johnson as Board President and the election of R. W. Wadsworth to that post, the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District Board met November 18 and awarded the bid for construction of lateral sewers in Lafayette's Glenside Estates to the Oakland Sewer Construction Company.

The bid for the Local Improvement District No. 11 was $14,669, much lower than original estimates of the district. High bid was over $24,000.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

First steps were taken at this meeting by the majority of the board to set up the district's own engineering department, to be headed by a district engineer and manager. (See story this issue.)

When the meeting opened, Elliott Johnson, recently elected president of the five-man board, read a brief letter of resignation to be effective immediately, as he declined to continue in the chair.

Johnson stated later that "I didn't care to be president of the organization any longer." Johnson will continue as a director.

Wadsworth of Orinda was nominated by Harold Toland, seconded by Lawson Weill. On roll call, Johnson and Col. H. M. Smitten declined to vote, while Toland, Weill and Wadsworth answered yes. Wadsworth explained to the capacity audience that if he had not voted yes there would be no organization and "we would all have to get up and go home without doing any business."

ADOPT AMENDMENT

At the meeting the board took the following action:

Adopted an ammendment to the sewer code to provide for joint house connections on one side sewer. This allows property owners of adjoining structures to jointly construct and use one side sewer of six inch diameter or larger with this right-of-way becoming a part of the sewer system under the jurisdiction of the district. This was approved because of "convenience and economy."

Postponed decision on the district attorney's letter asking the district to take over all inspection, including that which is under the jurisdiction of the county. Members pointed out this would be a costly procedure as certain inspection should be done by the county.

VOTE TIME EXTENSION

Voted a 60-day extension to Stanley Kholer, contractor building the main trunk line from the western part of Lafayette, over Charles Hill to above the Orinda Country Club. The contractor's request blamed the steel strike, the heavy rains in March and the oil strike as causes for the incomplete project. The board dated the extension from mid-October when the work was to have been completed.

Passed resolution of intention to form Local Improvement District No. 6 in Pleasant Hills.

CRITICAL AREAS FIRST

Re-affirmed a previous statement that no construction of sewers would begin in the acreage owned by Donald Rheem in Moraga until the critical areas in Orinda are first served.

Ordered the cleaning up of the road from the upper pumping station in Orinda to the newly constructed sewer line tunnels. Johnson and Wadsworth pointed out that surface has been taken off the road and it has been almost inaccessible to the four families in the area.

Gordon Hooper To Be Eagle Scout

An important event in the young life of Boy Scout Troop 207 will take place on Tuesday evening at the Orinda Community Church when Gordon Hooper will receive the honor of Eagle Scout rank.

Gordon is well known in Orinda as the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hooper of El Sereno. In scouting circles he is known for diligent work, beginning wth his start as a charter member of Troop 207, through the lower ranks of scouting, into the position of Senior Patrol leader, and now, with the envy and respect of his fellow scouts, entering the long-sought rank of Eagle.

Scoutmaster S. S. Hunn and his troop committee have prepared a program for the evening to interest all friends of scouting. On hand will be an official representative of the District Council, Mr. "Bugs" Cain, to make the award to Gordon, and it is expected that many other local and District officials will be present.

Final Arrangements Made for Gala Harmony Night of Barbershoppers

Final arangements are being completed for a gala Harmony Night of music and song sponsored by the Orinda Barbershop Quartet.

The postponement from November 12 to December 10, due to illness in the school, proved to be a "blessing in disguise," Mike Murphy said. More quartets from outside chapters have accepted invitations to appear on the program.

There will be two or three quartets from San Jose, two from San Francisco and one from Berkeley.

The six finalists of the Juvenile Amateur Contest are now being chosen. The last try-outs for Orinda Grammar School kids will be held at the Grammar school on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. In addition to the scholarship which will be awarded to the winner, by the society, there will also be prizes donated by Lila Murphy, Peg Winters, Ben Randall and the Orinda Sun, for the runner-up.

HARMONY NIGHT

The program for Harmony Night is under the able management of Keene Pettengill, and the Mothers' Club of Orinda is lending its support.

Tickets may be purchased at Wright's Village Pharmacy, or at Wadsworth and Murphy's Real Estate office at the Crossroads, or they may be secured from any member of the Orinda Barbershoppers. The adult tickets are one dollar and the children's are forty cents.

Play Reading Committee Busy

The play-reading committee of the Dramateurs has been very busy for the past two weeks deciding on a play that they hope to present sometime in April.

The committee consists of Mrs. George Vurek, Captain James Jordon, Mrs. B. W. West, Mr. Robert Harrison, and Mrs. Leo Levy.

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Captain Sandford Sez:

Thank goodness for the dry weather. The sewer mud about Lafayette in wet weather is a mess. (The Orinda variety of mud is no fun either). When the boys dig the sewer trenches they sure do go to town; but when, and if, they ever come to fill them in again that is something quite different.

P.S. Please give us plenty of rain; we need it badly.

This writer is very mich disturbed to realize that we have dissension on the Board of Directors of the Sanitary District. These fellows should and must . . . serve the people faithfully and conscientiously and put aside any personal and petty jealousies and stupid inefficiencies. More of us must take a real interest in this Sanitary District business and watch carefully.

One of my friends complained to me yesterday about the deer eating up everything he plants. He has a six foot fence all around which, it seems, the deer can clear with easy grace. So he says the wood peckers peck, the other birds eat the seeds and fruit, the coons destroy, and the deer top it off in such a fashion as to make the green thumber completely impotent.

Supervisors meeting at Martinez! This is democracy in action. Either the accoustics of the Supervisors' rooms or the mutterings in the whiskers of most of the speakers made it almost impossible for an observer to hear anything. I think I'll suggest to Mr. Buchanan that he make each speaker stand up on his hind legs and open up his neck so that all can hear plainly. Most of the action there is too important to all of us for aimless mutterings. (Ed. Please send Mr. Buchanan a copy of this paper.)

I dreamed that one of the Klamath River steelhead sent me a radio message saying: "The wet ain't nearly so wet, Cap; the cold ain't nearly so cold; and there ain't so many fishers, and that first fly you tied on was surely a ring-tailed snorter. So come on up again, Cap." Nuts, sez I!

'Make Warm Friends' Is Drive Motto

The sun no longer warms the thin, ill-clad bodies of European children and the good earth of the Orient will soon be frost-ridden beneath the bare feet of China's war-born millions. There is a dready familiarity about the facts — the oft told story of the bewildered child victims of war who face still another winter of privation, hunger and cold.

But 1948 has brought an unfamiliar aspect into the bomber world picture. As never before in our history the children of America have accepted the responsibility of the bond which links all children of the world — the spirit with which a child says, "Let's be friends."

CLOTHES FOR ABROAD

Most outstanding example of this spirit is the "Clothes for Friendship" campaign, year-long project of the United States Girl Scouts. The Girl Scouts have pledged themselves to collect and send overseas one million garments, enough to adequately clothe one hundred thousand children before year's end.

In enlisting the cooperation of this, and every other community where they exist, the Scouts have punctuated their campaign with the slogan, 'Make Warm Friends.' The theme is indicative of a deeper significance in "Clothes for Friendship" than the immediate clothing of one hundred thousand youngsters.

It is symbolic of the attitude with which the next generation of Americans can preserve and strengthen world peace. It is symbolic of a spirt which bridges national and racial barriers — a spirt in which someday, perhaps, all peoples of the world can say to one another, "Let's be friends."

FUTURE OF GIRL SCOUTS

In a few years, today's Girl Scouts will be competent, self-reliant adults. At a time when such qualities of character are as desperately needed as now, not a single girl should be excluded from the opportunities for moral and spiritual growth which Girl Scouting offers.

However, not every girl who wishes to be a Scout is allowed the opportunity. Throughout the United States there are thousands of girls between the ages of seven and seventeen who are waiting to join. The reason: lack of local leadership.

VOLUNTEER LEADERS

In this town where there are many capable men and women who have only to offer their free time in order to help our daughters prepare for the responsibilities of mature citizens. Scout leadership is an inspiring, heartwarming experience. It is an active alliance with the present and a share of stock in the future.

Rotarians Dine At Planters' Dock

Rotarians and their wives enjoyed a gala dinner dance Tuesday evening at Planters Dock, Lafayette. All women attending received gifts at this special ladies' night function.

Ev Baker of Lafayette lead the Rotary committee in charge of arrangements. Dinner was served at 7:30 with a choice of Chinese or American food. The group reserved the entire main dining room and Sam Lico's orchestra provided music for dancing beteen courses.

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New Construction Started in Area

Despite the approaching holiday season, November started out well as a month for beginning new construction in Orinda, Lafayette and Moraga. The County Building Inspector's report shows a total of 14 building permits issued in these three areas between November 4 and November 12.

Applicants in Lafayette are Henry Andrews who is building on Hamlin Road and Solana Drive as well as on Glenside Drive and Reliez Station Road; Mrs. M. Helmond, erecting a pair of homes on Acalanes Road; Martin Lewis, Acalanes Road; Ernest LaFrenz, Nogales Avenue and Acalanes Avenue; Stanley G. Burton, Natasha Drive in Happy Valley Estates.

In Moraga permits were granted J. R. Anderson, Moraga Del Rey Lot No. 89; Maynard P. Buehler, Great Oak Circle; A. J. Brown, Moraga Glorietta.

Three homes are starting in Orinda: Paul Harrison, Tara Brook Road; Carlton Block, Bobolink Lane; V. Richit, Sleepy Hollow and Lombardy Lanes.

Postmasters Elect Officers

The County Postmasters' Association met at dinner recently in Walnut Creek and elected Joe de Rosa of Concord its new president. De Rosa replaces St. Marys College's Brother Josephus who is ill in Providence Hospital and was unable to run again for the top post.

Robert LeBeuf, Rodeo, won the vice-presidency and Miss Amelia Shutt, Lafayette postmaster, continues as secretary.

Twenty-two members and their wives attended this meeting. Senator George Miller Jr. gave a short talk to the assemblage.

County Relief Roll Reported

Contra Costa county's relief roll included 5,164 persons for September, 1948, compared with 4,579 for September, 1947, California Taxpayers Association said today. The figures do not include people receiving state unemployment or disability payments.

The September, 1948, relief rolls of the county included 1,726 needy aged persons, 68 needy blind people, 1,200 dependent children, and 2,170 general county indigents. Relief payments for the month totalled $205,638 for these four kinds of relief.

Over the state as a whole, 304,663 people were on the relief rolls for September, 1948, compared with 264,076 during September, 1947.

"The increasing dependence of people on public relief is clearly shown in the comparison of numbers of people receiving relief for the same month this year and last," the Taxpayers' group pointed out, expressing concern about the growing burden on taxpayers for the care of the needy during so-called prosperous times.

"The current situation calls for utmost care in the administration of relief if too heavy demands are not to be made on the taxpayers to provide for those in need."

Moose Order Being Formed

Now in the process of formation is a Lafayette-Walnut Creek-Orinda chapter of the Loyal Order of Moose. Harold McCrum, of Lafayette's Little Chapel of the Valley, is now accepting applications from all interested men in this area.

He says there are no particular qualifications for joining except to fill out an entry form and make a small payment covering either a social or beneficial membership. When enough men sign up, a charter meeting will be called and plans made for swinging the club into action.

Proposed Junior College District Discussed in First in Series of Stories

(The Sun herewith presents the first of a series of three articles, to inform electors of the proposal for a Contra Costa Junior College District, on which an election will be held Tuesday, December 14.)

This marks the third time establishment of a Junior College district has been recommended by county citizen groups. The proposal was first advanced in 1939 and again in 1945, when an election was held on a plan to form a Junior College district of approximately one-half the county. It was defeated by a very small majority.

The current proposal, which embraces the entire county and contemplates the provision of one junior college, has been advanced by a county-wide committee in which all segments of society are represented. The committee has as its chairman Charles F. Hutchins, Jr., of Pleasant Hill.

DISTRICT FORMATION

Location of the college is not an issue in this election. It is solely a question of authorization for formation of a district on which a majority vote is required.

If the people approve formation of a district, a board of trustees of five members will be appointed by the county superintendent of schools to serve until May, 1949, when a permament board will be elected by the people. The interim board will make studies and recommendations to the permanent board.

CONSIDER NECESSITY

The two main questions for consideration are (1) the necessity of a Junior College, and (2) its financing.

In the main, financing of a college district is on the same principle as for elementary school districts and high school districts, and the trustees of a college district have the same responsibility to the people as the trustees of other districts.

A junior college district has a tax limit of 35 cents, far less than for other school districts, and it also receives greater state and federal assistance than other school divisions. Last year 53% of the operational costs for the Contra Costa students attending Junior College came from state and federal sources.

BROAD TAX BASE

Another consequential difference that favors a Junior College is that it has a broad tax base, encompassing the entire county, from border to border. We now pay four cents for Junior College attendance, and, it is estimated, this support for double the present enrollment would not exceed seven cents.

An important element of the financing picture is that in the last year $46,000 of the $100,000 cost to this county for educating 705 students enrolled in junior colleges throughout the state, went to "rent" of quarters — $65 for each student.

This $46,000 built the equivalent of three classrooms in other portions of the state. Such contribution to buildings in other counties of California can only increase.

The sum represents interest on a capital investment of $700,000 to $800,000. Instead of having buildings to show for this expenditure the county has amassed only a stack of "rent" bills, while it has denied to hundreds the education that is necessary in these competitive times.

GOOD BUSINESS

Proponents of a college district argue that it is good business as well as good education to provide college facilities here, declaring that Contra Costa funds have been and will continue to be spent in increasing amounts for buying supplies in other counties, building classrooms in other counties and paying employees who live, work and buy in other counties.

They urge that it is common sense to expend these sums in our county and at the same time to provide needed education here, as has been recommended by three separate citizen groups.

'Owners at Tax Saturation Point'

Holding that property owners have reached the saturation point in the paying of county taxes, the Contra Costa County Taxpayers' Association declared today that they will be compelled to call a halt on some of the projects which are being presented to the people for approval and which can be logically postponed.

It was learned that representatives of the County Farm Bureau met with the Taxpayers' Association's Executive Committee to agree that the formation of a Junior College District is one project that can be postponed.

J. B. McFarland, secretary of the Taxpayers' Association, said his group feels that county taxpayers have now reached the saturation point, and are unable to finance further. This is evidenced by the way people all over the county are up in arms over the increased taxes demanded in the 1948-49 county tax bills.

"With the outlook for 1949-50 being for still further increases in taxes, the Association feels that a halt must be called on all projects that can be postponed. We have to catch up by getting more people on the county tax rolls to help share the tax burden. As it is now, it is the present taxpayers who have to stand the entire burden of these various tax paid projects, which are crowding in all at one time," said McFarland.

McFarland said the Association arrived at its decision to recommend to the voters a postponement of the formation of a Junior College district, after a study of the election results on county bond issues, and the effect the result may now have in next year's tax bill, by reason of the fact that essential capital expenditures will now have to be financed directly out of current tax money instead of spreading payments over a period of years through the proposed bond issues. Many property owners feel that taxes are now reaching the point in this county that they are fast becoming confiscatory.

TO MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Nielsen traveled to Fresno last week-end for the annual meeting of the board of directors of California State Tire Dealers Association.

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Acalanes Board OK's Laboratory

A multitude of items was on the Acalanes High School Board of Trustees meeting agenda when the group convened recently.

Neil Parsons, superintendent, reports the Board approved installation of an Abbott-Hanks testing laboratory in the new machine shop. The contractor's request for a 60 day extension of contract was also granted.

The Board approved an increase in substitute teachers' pay from $10 to $12 daily. Two requests for use of the auditorium were granted and the annual faculty dinner was discussed but no definite date set.

A request for a new bus route was received but laid on the table for the present.

IN OREGON

Mr. and Mrs. Don Patton, of East View Drive, left Sunday for a week's sojourn with Mrs. Patton's sister, Mrs. E. C. Koenake in Astoria, Oregon.

Polio Funds Sent To California

California's exhausted emergency polio funds were given new life today when a check for $250,000.00 was received from March of Dimes president, Basil O'Connor in New York City.

Recipient of the check was Dan Marovich, executive secretary of the California Emergency Polio Fund. He received it in behalf of Dr. J. C. Geiger, Chairman and Parker S. Maddux, treasurer of the state fund.

County Teachers of 7th, 8th Grades to Meet

Preparation of a parents' handbook is one of the topics to be discussed at a meeting of all Contra Costa County seventh and eighth grade teachers, November 29 in Concord, school officials announced today.

The handbook on which the teachers will act is designed to help parents understand children at the seventh and eighth grade level, the program offered by the schools and modern educational methods.

Our Village Baker Has All the Dough

By BARBARA SMITH

The little boy's eyes were riveted on the rich fluffy cream puff . . . his nose was pressed tightly against the bakery window glass . . . he could smell the exciting mysterious aromas that came from the rear of the shop . . every youngster has gone through this same mental anguish, seeing a particularly delicious tid bit in a bakery window and having only six marbles and a piece of string in his pocket.

Godfrey Bender was no exception. But he did something about it. Instead of going home and hitting Mom up for a nickel, he walked into the bakery shop and talked the owner into hiring him. What young boy could ask for more — to work in a bakery, to be able to eat flaky doughnuts hot from the grease, to smell the yeasty odor of fresh bread as it is pulled from long ovens, to watch the baker put the intricate icings on the pastries and the million other things that go on in the bake shops.

OWNS THE BAKERY

Over twenty years have gone by since that day and today Godfrey Bender is the man with all the dough in Orinda. In case you haven't guessed . . . he is the owner of the Village Bakery.

Mr. Bender traveled far before settling in Orinda. He has lived in Missouri, Kansas, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Iowa. Born in the land of corn pone and black eyed peas, Mr. Bender is a Virginian by birth but a Californian by choice.

WITH THE NAVY

He took off from his duties of building bakery delicacies and built bridges and camps with the Sea Bees of the U. S. Navy on Saipan during the war.

Mr. Bender never makes a mistake in mixing his ingredients. This was not always so. He recalls with a sigh the time when he mistook the salt bag for the sugar bag and came up with over a 1000 pounds of goo.

Eleven years ago the baker took a wife — Dee — and since then she has been a constant companion and helper to him. Although there are always an abundance of rolling pins handy, she has not had occasion to use them on her husband yet.

LIKE THE WORK

The Benders have owned the bakery for a year and a half and they say they like it more with each passing day.

They are interested in all types of sports and are awaiting the coming of television.

A baker and his wife do not have much time to participate actively in much but their bakery, for when one of you Orinda housewives comes rushing into the store at 9 a.m. to buy a loaf of bread for hubbys morning toast — remember Mr. Bender has been up for many hours preparing that bread.

ANOTHER JOE E.

The next time you go into the Village Bakery and take a good look at Mr. Bender you will probably say, just like everyone else, "Say, did anyone ever tell you that you looked like Joe E. Brown?" Mr. Bender will politely reply "Yes, they have." For you see, he does look like Joe E.

And there you have it, a thumbnail sketch of the Village Baker, Godfrey H. Bender, a man who is a sucker for any small boy who looks longingly in his window, for Mr. Bender can still remember when he was on the other side of that window.

Acalanes to Get Vocational Funds

Acalanes Union High School will receive $166.14 toward conducting its occupational training programs in 1947-48. This money is to be allocated from State and federal funds reserved for such educational work, according to the announcement by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Roy E. Simpson and Julian A. McPhee, state director of vocational education.

Contra Costa County schools as a whole were given $28,200.92 for occupational courses. Acalanes' share was apportioned as follows: $129.92, home economics; $16.22, trades and industries; $20, distributive occupations.

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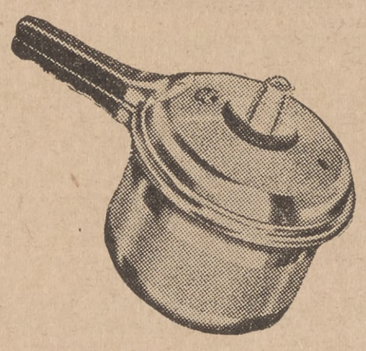

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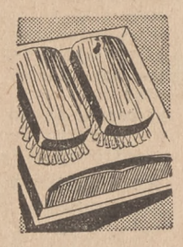

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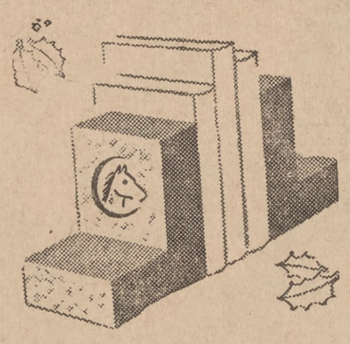

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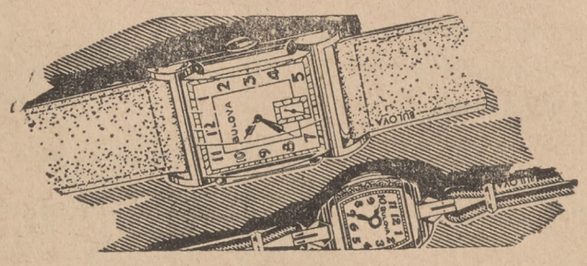

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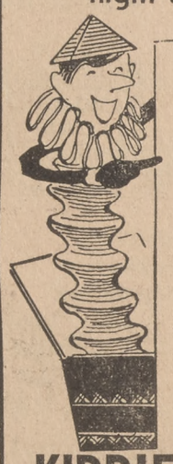

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BY CONSTANCE HANSEN

From now on we appreciate the berried shrubs and trees more and more, as they give color and life to the garden after the summer and fall flowers have passed on. Most of these woody plants grow with little care, aside from occasional trimming back when they grow out of bounds, and some thinning, which can well be done when the berries are cut for the house.

The pyracanthas are known to everyone, as are the cotoneasters, and the two can be told apart by the fact that the pyracanthas are the ones with thorns. There are many fine new varieties of these latter, which have better berries than the older sorts. Some have a spreading habit of growth, while others are more upright. Pyracantha San Jose has tremendous berries, and long spreading branches, whereas the varieties known as Graberi and Rosedale are more upright in habit.

Cotoneaster pannosa is the most familiar species of the genus here, but there are others, such as C. frigida and C. salicifolia, which have more character, and showier berries, where shrubs or small trees for large plantings are wanted.

At recent garden club meetings someone has nearly always brought in a fruiting branch of the evergreen dogwood, Cornus capitata. It is a tall shrub for a sheltered, part shady situation, and should have occasional watering. The flowers are between two and three inches across, and somewhat greenish, so they are not very conspicuous among the leaves, but it is at this time of year that it is really ornamental, with each twig ending in a large coral-red fleshy fruit.

SMALLER SHRUBS

A smaller shrub, which is practically unknown in gardens here, is the Callicarpa, or beauty berry. There are two species available, C. japonica, and C. garildiana. They are rather airy, delicate little shrubs, producing small clusters of inconspicuous flowers in fall, followed by clusters of tiny lavender berries, tightly bunched along the stems. The leaves fall just about this time, so the sprays of berries show up well for use in the house.

The various hawthorns are very handsomely decked out with berries at this time of year, many of them being characterized also by fine fall foliage. The Washington Thorns planted in the Hidden Valley tract are very lovely this year.

CRIMSON GLORY

The new hawthorn hybrid called Crimson Glory is attracting a lot of attention these days. The berries are a half to three quarters of an inch in diameter, and so brilliant as to appear varnished, while the leaves are still bright green. The branches are spreading, so it makes an attractive small tree.

The old cockspur thorn, Crataegus crus galli, has much the same habit of growth and large fruits, but they are darker red, and the leaves turn a rather russet yellow at this time. The thorns are phenomenal, about two inches long and very sharp, so it is not a tree to work around casually.

Myrtus communis, a little shrub used for informal hedges or as a filler, has multitudes of dark greyish blue berries, but these are most conspicuous on the form which has the silver and green variegated leaves, since they don't show so much against the plain green shrub.

For a north wall, or other shady situation, the gold dust plant, Aucuba japonica, is very satisfactory, but it should have a male plant nearby to induce the formation of the glossy red berries. Another plant of this sort is Skimmia japonica, which has bright red berries and evergreen foliage, but also needs a pollinator. Ardisia crispa is a less known shrub, which is a low growing evergreen suitable for a shady foundation planting, and has attractive year-round foliage and red berries in winter.

Some of our native plants, among them the Oregon grape and wild honeysuckle have attractive berries, and there is an improved form of our wild snowberry, Symphoricarpus, with berries twice the size of the one seen in the hills here, that can be grown in some out of the way spot in the garden, and its berries used for decoration in winter.

More gardens should have a few barberries in them. One of my favorites is the deciduous one, Berberis Thunbergii, that has small bright red pendant fruits, like little ear-drops hanging among the bare branches. B. Wilsonii also had red fruit, but they are more on the salmon red shade, with touches of green. The flowers of some of the barberries are very attractive and showy, varying from almost white to a bright orange.

The barberries are all armed with quantities of sharp spines, so should not be planted too close to an entrance walk, or under windows (they have to be washed occasionally), but are suitable for boundary protection, or as corner shrubs, or in a rough ground cover planting.

The hollies are a subject for study in themselves, since there are so many of them, and I will have a little more to say about them later.

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A Christmas party — complete with surprise gifts, refreshments and an appearance by St. Nick himself — has been planned for needy children by Orinda Cub Pack 32. December 18 is the date set for this festive gathering.

Each den in the pack will adopt one family. Adult leaders and the boys are now working out a program to include games and songs. H. C. Gathings is in charge of arrangements, assisted by a committee of den mothers. In addition to the other Yuletide festivities planned for the pack's little guests will be a Christmas movie.

Cubs Receive Many Awards

Twenty - five Cubs received awards ranging from Bob Cat to Gold and Silver Arrows at the recent achievement meeting of Pack 32. Seventeen new Cub applicants and their parents were introduced at the gathering. Al Meyer, Cub Master, handled the evening's program.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY ON EXECUTION
NO. 36106

H. DE NORMANDIE, Plaintiff,
vs
A. C. YOUNG, aka A. CHET YOUNG, DORIS A. YOUNG, his wife, et al, Defendants.

By virtue of a Writ of Execution issued out of the Justice's Court of the City of Berkeley, County of Alameda, State of California, wherein H. DE NORMANDIE is Plaintiff and A. C. YOUNG, also known as A. CHET YOUNG, is Defendant upon a judgment rendered by the said Court on the 21st day of September, 1948, for the sum of $898.00 in lawful money of the United States besides costs, I have heretofore levied upon all the right, title, claim and interest of A. C. YOUNG, also known as A. CHET YOUNG, the above named judgment debtor, of, in and for the following described real property, to-wit:

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that I will on TUESDAY, the seventh (7th) day of DECEMBER, 1948, at ELEVEN o'clock A.M. of said day, in front of the main entrance of the Court House of the County of Contra Costa, located in the City of Martinez, County of Contra Costa, State of California, sell at PUBLIC AUCTION, for lawful money of the United States, all the right, title, claim and interest of said defendant and judgment debtor, A. C. YOUNG, also known as A. CHET YOUNG, of, in and to the above described real property to raise sufficient money to satisfy said judgment, with costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder.

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Sponsored by the Hospital's Orinda Branch, the shoot will be held at Diablo Country Club, and festivities are scheduled to commence at 10 a.m. An all day program has been planned, winding up with dancing and a buffet supper in the club's dining room at 6 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Incidentally, members of the Orinda Branch assure all prospective participants that a turkey shoot does not involve firing away at the gobbler "in person." Winners are scored by target accuracy and those on top have a choice of a live or frozen turkey.

Mr and Mrs. Ted Beckett will serve as hosts to guests of Orinda branch. Decorations are being taken care of by Mrs. Vad Jelton and publicity by Mrs. Ambrose MacDonald. Tickets can be obtained by calling Mrs. Tom Goodrick, Orinda 2925.

Club Named Prima Donnas Circle

The sixteen girls who recently organized to help the youngsters suffering from heart diseases have decided on a name for their club.

It is now called the "Prima Donnas Circle". It is very appropriately named as all the girls are Freshmen at Acalanes, Prima meaning first and Donnas for Acalanes girls.

Their last meeting was held at the home of Mrs. George Neldam on Tuesday, November 16.

At this meeting, they decided to send six girls to the Heart Clinic in Richmond to entertain the children with Christmas Carols and a puppet show. They are: Eleunore Neldam, Paula Cory, Peggy Everest, Leatrice Fisher, Joan Gordon and Phyllis Pile.

From now on, the girls will meet on Thursday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:30. Mrs. George Neldam and Mrs. Romulus D'Arrezo are the sponsors of the group.

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Lions Club Votes To Build Shelves

Directors of the Orinda Lions voted recently to build 120 feet of shelving for the Orinda Library which will open in January. The county is supplying books, a librarian and maintenance but outside help was necessary to supply shelves to hold the volumes.

At this same directors' meeting, Otto "Red" Carlson and Leighton De Mayer, General Motors and Black's Market respectively, were voted to membership. Tommy Snow's request for reinstatement was granted.

Fred von Guenthner was appointed chairman of the annual Christmas party. The date is December 20. Von Guenthner's assistants in planning this get-together are Stuart Wade, Pat Train and Bob Frolich.

Directors who attended the meeting were George Hartzell, Bill Worden, Stuart Wade, Don Hunter, Wayne Littlejohn, Fred Von Guenther, and Bob Anthonisen.

Annual Garden Club Party Set

The Orinda Garden Club is holding its annual Christmas Party Thursday, December 2, at Orinda Country Club. About 75 members and their guests are expected.

Festivities will start at 10:30 a.m. with a talk by Mrs. Fred Dall. She is to discuss Christmas decorations and arrangements. Luncheon will be served after her lecture.

Gordon to Buy Trees in Sierras

Christmas trees of all descriptions, from rangy spruces to symetrical silver tips will be hauled directly from the high Sierras to Lafayette this year. They will be sold by the local Girl Scout Council starting December 5 in the parking lot of the Curve Restaurant, Mt. Diablo Blvd.

William Gordon, who is supervising the entire operation, will make a special journey into the mountains to obtain a large assortment of fine trees. He points out that his trip as well as all work necessary to setting up the lot — wiring, making stands, etc. — are being donated without charge. This will enable the girls to put every cent realized from sales toward purchasing their newly selected permanent camp site and carrying on the many other scouting activities of the Diablo Valley Area Council..

Mrs. Robert Galbraith of Orinda is in charge of staffing the lot, and she has announced that sales hours will be from 10:00 a.m. to 8 p.m. As an added attraction, Girl Scouts will sing Christmas carols at various times throughout the day.

Almost 4000 Free X-Rays Given in October

During October, 3,998 free chest x-rays were taken in the county for the co-operative program of Tuberculosis eradication conducted by the Contra Costa Public Health Association, and the two health departments.

Teachers, high school students, two industrial plants, townsfolk, county jail and prison farm inmates and civilian employees at the two U. S. Naval Bases were served.

Mrs. Kenneth McIntyre Has Luncheon Guests

Mrs. Kenneth McIntyre of Lafayette entertained Orinda and Lafayette friends at a bridge luncheon last week. Enjoying the hospitality in the McIntyre home, which is reputed to be the oldest in Lafayette, were Mesdames Ben Randall, Bob Clough, John Dorr, John Leigh, Paul Kalff, Robert J. Foley and V. F. McFarland.

Llamada de Cortina ... 'Curtain Calls'

Last Saturday's show was a surprise showing of a Laurel and Hardy comedy that really made a hit with the children. It made some of us feel lots younger to see another generation getting such a kick out of their antics.

This week's show will be another good comedy — about a circus this time. Zenobia "An Elephant never Forgets" with Oliver Hardy, Billie Burke and Stepin' Fetchit. And chapter 7 of the Royal Mounted is a real thriller. There will also be a short "Play Ball" and be sure and let us know about any birthdays so we can have an extra comedy.

Every Saturday when there is a birthday an extra comedy is played. There were two young ladies this week to honor. Both were celebrating their 11th birthdays — Dawn Bottomley and Peggy Gompertz.

Gerry Vurek is greatly missed — another mumps casualty.

Were some of the mothers faces ever red when they heard a commotion in one of the school rooms during the performance. Thinking it was some of the youngsters "into something" they were quite embarassed to find it was a very conscientious teacher rearranging the desks for Monday morning.

Mr. Bacon gave Mr. Shaeff a "screen test" — not for sure but it may take. One of the reasons that the last two shows have been so good is that a screen has been rented from the Orinda Camera Shop which really gives a much better picture.

Don March Has Theater Party on Birthday

Don March celebrated his ninth birthday Saturday, November 3, with a group of friends.

They attended the morning show at the Orpheum Theater, then came to Don's aunt's house, Mrs. Theo Crook, 416 Moraga Highway, for lunch.

The guests were Philip Dempster, Smedley Ambler, Bobby Rupley, Bill Holmes, George Navone, Richard Normand, Chip Peacock, Norman Giem and Chuck Coburn.

Mart Members Hear Soloist

Real Estate Mart members enjoyed music instead of a speaker during their meeting Monday, 8:30 a.m., at El Nido Rancho Hotel. Don Lassiani rendered a selection of accordion solos, after which the realtors dispersed for their weekly tours of homes for sale.

Next week a special treat is in store for the group, program chairman E. J. "Bud" Carey reports. The speaker will be a Czechoslavakian realtor who is to discuss real estate in his part of the world.

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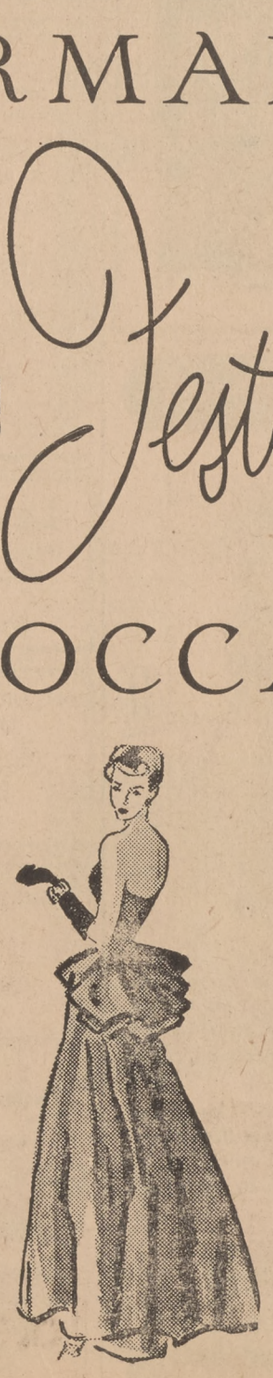

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World Federalists Hold Meetings

An enthusiastic group of the World Federalist Movement heard Max Thelen Jr., San Francisco attorney, speak on the program outlined by the World Federalists for achieving world peace in our time at a recent meeting.

Sewall Smith, president of the Acalanes Chapter, extended a cordial greeting to all those present to bring their friends to the meeting to be held at the Community Church Wednesday, December 1, at 8:00 p.m. Dr. Peter C. Jurs, Stanford graduate, and former research associate with the American Cyanamid Co. of Connecticut, is at present a partner in the Shand and Jurs Manufacturing Co. of Berkeley, and will be in charge of the meeting. This is to be an informal discussion, and audience participation is invited.

FORUM DISCUSSION

The Timely Topics Section of the Lafayette Forum will hear Bennet Skewes-Cox in an address on United World Federalism Tuesday, December 7, according to Mrs. J. Burk, chairman of the group. In Walnut Creek the Lions Club will be addressed on the same subject by M. Gregry of the Berkeley Chapter on December 10 in the Las Palmas Hotel, according to Jack Hageman, program chairman.

MR. THELEN'S TALK

Giving first the background of the movement and its goal, Mr. Thelen explained how that goal can be attained.

Among the questions put to Mr. Thelen following the talk, included one concerning interesting Russia in the movement; C. R. Stone of Orinda, as head of the political actions committee, suggested that George P. Miller, congressman for this district, be requested to take a stand on the subject — something he has refused to do thus far.

CONVENTION IN S. F.

On December 3 and 4 a convention of the United World Federalists is being held in San Francisco. Among the speakers will be: Dr. David Bradley, famed radiologist and author of the book, "No Place To Hide," who will speak on the atomic bomb tests at Bikini; Raymond Swing, who will speak on the subject, "History Won't Wait"; and Congressman Jacob K. Javits of New York State, who will address a group at the closing banquet Saturday, December 4.

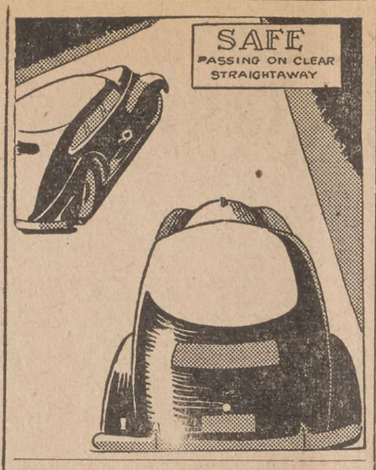
DAR Chapter To Have Birthday

Organized in February 1927, Anne Loucks Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution will celebrate its "coming of age" birthday and observe Thanksgiving Saturday at the home of Mrs. George Biteon of Martinez.

Mrs. William Willitz of Reliez Valley will be co-hostess at the birthday luncheon scheduled for one o'clock.

Mrs. Everett Grimes will explain the procedure in assembling genealogical statistics in Contra Costa County.

First high school in District 2 to submit the name of its candidate in the annual D.A.R. Good Citizen Pilgrimage was Acalanes Union High School. Barbara Lusebrink's name was submitted. Acalanes has actively participated in this Americanism program ever since the school was established, Mrs. H. K. Nourse said.



G.I.'s Entertained By Red Cross

Under the auspices of the local Red Cross hospital entertainment committee, patients at the Camp Stoneman station hospital were guests at four special events this month.

Recently Dan Condit of Reliez Valley showed colored pictures of scenes along the John Muir Trail in the wards as well as in the recreation hall. This "repeat performance was in keeping with the Red Cross policy to include the bed patients in festivities as far as possible.

A block of fifteen seats at the St. Mary's dramatic offering Saturday evening was placed at the disposal of the hospital.

Gray Ladies were on hand to assist with the dog show given by the Mount Diablo Dog Training club Sunday. The closing event of the month was an informal Thanksgiving dance Wednesday in the recreation hall.

Mrs. Elva Griffin responded to the plea for a pianist to volunteer as accompanist to the informal singing in the recreation hall and wards. Girl Scouts of this area are collecting comic books to be sent the GI's.

Improve Your Soil Condition

The beginning of the rainy season is a good time to condition your soil Assistant Farm Advisor, A. M. Goff, suggests that if you have a small tract of soil that is mean to work that now is an ideal time to improve it.

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LUNCHEON

Seen lunching at The International Kitchen, in Niles, last Tuesday were Mesdames Leon Bishop, C. H. Carson, Wm. Hughes and Edwin Eckwall.

Blue and Gold Party for Alice

Honored by ten members of the Lafayette Grammar School 4th grade and friends from Orinda, Alice Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Davis, celebrated her ninth birthday at her home on Moraga Blvd. last Saturday.

Centerpiece for the beautifully set table was a blue and gold goal post with streamers to each guest's plcae. There was an attractive blue and gold place mat, party basket filled with candy an da gold balloon for each girl.

Present were Lynn Hail, Linda Quartarolo, Lenore Butsch, Julie Busch, Gale Cowling, Kathryn Luck, Jane Summers, Susan Wasson, Richard and Mary Davis, sister and brother of the guest of honor, Donna Ruediger and Jo Ann Johnston.

GUESTS AT HANSONS

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Cline, of San Luis Obispo, parents of Mrs. B. A. Hansen of Moraga Blvd., were recent guests at the Hansen home.

Librarians Discuss Role In Instructing Students

High school librarians of Contra Costa County met last week at Acalanes Union High School to review the role of the library in instructing freshmen and seniors.

Ruth Fletcher, Acalanes librarian, acted as hostess.

The meeting is one of a series arranged by Mrs. Thelma Dahlin, school librarian for the county library, in cooperation with Dr. Wayne McIntire and Rudolp Sando of the county school's office.

SORT CLOTHING

Lafayette Girl Scout leaders, coleaders and troop committee members met last week at the Community Church to sort clothing for Friendship Kits. These kits are being sent by local Girl Scouts to overseas children of all ages.

Four Girl Scout Meetings Called

Four Girl Scout meetings for adult leaders have been called next week. On Tuesday the Leader's Association will gather at 10 a.m., Coast Counties Gas Co. auditorium, Walnut Creek. A Lafayette Community conference is slated for Wednesday, December 1, one o'clock in Town Hall.

Members of the Diablo Area Board will participate in a box lunch meeting next Thursday in Mrs. Elwood Laws' home, Walnut Creek; this starts at 10 a.m. and members are requested to bring individual picnic lunches. Saturday, December 4, is the day set aside for fathers to gather at the Christmas Tree lot next to The Curve restaurant to help set up trees.

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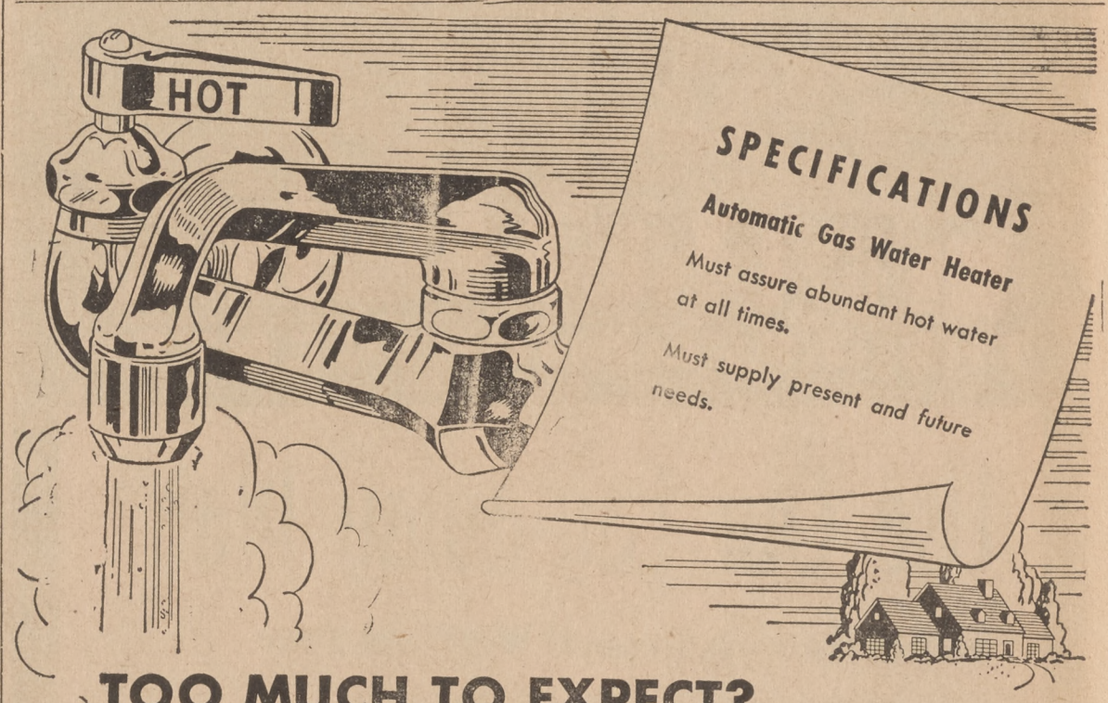
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Judith Hanlin Married Friday

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hanlin's home on Barbara Road was the scene of a wedding on Friday. Mr. Hanlin's sister, Judith, was married to James Zellerbach Jr.

The ceremony was performed by Dr. Stanley Armstrong Hunter of St. John's Presbyterian Church in Berkeley.

Richard Zellerbach was the best man and Mrs. Richard Hanlin was the Matron of Honor.

The guests included the immediate family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Zellerbach, and Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Hanlin of Berkeley.

Just before the ceremony at 4:00, James Zellerbach Senior, United States Administrator for Italy, phoned from Rome, to wish his son and Judith Hanlin every possbile happiness.

After the wedding, a buffet supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. James Zellerbach Jr. are going to live in Santa Barbara.

The bride wore a grey gabardine afternoon dress with white orchids. The matron of honor wore a green dress and green orchid.

Many Toys Received At Birthday Party

Julia Henderson received everything a girl could hope for at her second birthday party on Wednesday November 17. Dollies, toys and even a pair of gloves to keep her little hands warm this winter. Judith Henderson, her older sister was the hostess.

Her guests were: Hugh Kimball, Peter Kimball, Patricia Winquist, Vicky Brown, John Gibbins and Bobby Clifford.

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Skits Planned for Nursery School Christmas Party

The traditional annual Christmas party of the Orinda Nursery School Association is planned for the evening of December 8 in Quail Valley, home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Door of Orinda.

Chairman for these Christmas festivities is Mrs. G. W. Miller Jr., assisted by Mrs. George A. Rice. In addition to group singing of Christmas carols, the program will consist of a skit staged by the Tuesday-Thursday mothers and a skit by members of the Monday-Wednesday - Friday mothers' group.

Refreshments will be served at the gala affair by nine hostesses, Mesdames Henry E. Harris, J. M. Holley, Glen Holtwick, Channing Kilburn, W. Knigge, S. Stanley Hunn, Owen S. Jones, Vance Reynolds and Kenneth R. Keller.

Brownies Join Christine On 8th Birthday

Christine Romine invited her "Brownie" group to her eighth birthday on Tuesday afternoon, November 16. They played "Pin the tail on the Donkey", wore paper hats, and ate ice cream, cake and candy.

The guests were Gwendolyn Buxton, Susan Freedman, Catherine Coombs, Jean Gompertz, Penny Marsh, Judy Henderson, Stephanie Jensen, Sally Johnson, Suzanne Walker, Linda Welch, Sherryl Rasmussen, Sherry Welch, Susan Ray, Nancy Veitch and Judy and Bonnie Miner.

BUSINESS TRIP

Walter Wood is leaving the day after Thanksgiving for a business trip to Chicago. Mr. Wood will be away until about the middle of December.

Financial Support To Be Solicited

The one Sunday of the year when church financial support is stressed is scheduled for Sunday at Orinda Community Church, when at the 11 o'clock morning Service Loyalty Sunday is to be observed.

A committee headed by John W. McFarland is directing the annual budget solicitation in which it is expected all funds necessary for local operations and benevolences will be underwritten for the year 1949. Assisting him are Challis Gore, Ralph Phelps, Fred Twining, and members of the Board of Trustees of which Milton L. Selby is chairman.

Kenneth Courtright is soloist at the Loyalty Day Service. The Rev. Fred R. Morrow, minister, will speak briefly on the subject "Money is Expendable". A processional of devotion in which the church's supporters place their pledges on the altar will climax the worship hour.

Sunday school sessions occupy the hour between 9:30 and 10:30, with Everett Howe as superintendent. High school age young people hold their Fellowship meeting at 7 o'clock Sunday evening at the church building.

Ralph Potter Home After Months in Oleum Plant

Ralph A. Potter has just returned to Orinda after an absence of two months — not because of a vacation trip, but because he was in the Oleum plant during the strike, carrying on his work in the research department.

It meant eating and sleeping in the plant, as well as working. At all times the indoor workers had to wear "hard hats" as protection against possible missles thrown through the windows.

Mr. Potter said the papers had not given the oil company management credit for carrying at their own expense the insurance of the strikers.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

The subject of the Christian Science Lesson-Sermon for Sunday, November 28, is "Ancient and Modern Necromancy, alias Mesmerism and Hyptonism Denounced." The Golden Text is taken from Isaiah: "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him" (59:19).

Included in the sermon are the following citations:

The Bible: "Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shall not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee" (Revelation 3:3).

"Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Be watchful, sober, and vigilant. The way is straight and narrow, which leads to the understanding that God is the only Life. It is a warfare with the flesh, in which we must conquer sin, sickness, and death, either here or hereafter, — certainly before we can reach the goal of Spirit, or life in God' (p. 324).

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BEST MAN

John Williams of Orinda was the best man at a wedding that took place recently at St. Vincent de Paul's Church. The newlyweds are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Digges.

IN SACRAMENTO

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Hall and their two children, Holly and Terry, spent the Thanksgiving holiday in Sacramento with Mr. Hall's family.

FATHER LEAVES

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lincoln reluctantly said good-by to Fred's father, Nathan Lincoln, who departed on the "City of San Francisco" in time to reach his home in Chicago by Thanksgiving.

BROTHER VISITS

David Friedland, who has been visiting with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Friedland, just returned to Los Angeles via Western Airlines.

IN CARMEL

Mr. and Mrs. George Vurek's son, Jerry, spent the Thanksgiving Holiday at the Highlands Inn at Carmel.

RETURNS HOME

Mrs Charles Hubbard, who had been visiting with her family in Orinda; returned to Seattle on the Southern Pacific Cascade Saturday.

WINTER WEEKENDS

Early next week, announcements will be made and literature issued, relative to "Worden's Wonder Winter Weekends" consisting of three days, all expense, transportation, meals, and ski-ing, etc. to Contra Costa clients' favorite resort, Strawberry Lodge. This is an outstanding bargain and the rates start from $23.

HALLS' GUEST

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Hall of Oak Springs entertained an out of town guest, Eugene Voubert from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Monday evening.

PHEASANT HUNTING

Among the many Orindans who brought home the limit pheasant hunting Friday were C. A. Coggins, Mike Murphy and Art Boem.

LUNCHEON

Mrs. Reese Jones of Camino Don Miguel held a lunch Friday, with guests from Orinda including Mrs. H. W. Gentry, and Mrs. W. A. Patterson.

ENJOY BIG GAME

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Houston of Lindsay were entertained last week-end by the Ralph Wilsons. They enjoyed together the Big Game on Saturday.

Milton Bolender Has 79th Birthday Party

Milton S. Bolender celebrated his 79th birthday with a family dinner party given by his son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Bolender.

The guests were: Mrs. Iona Bolender, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bolender, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Techeira and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bolender.

Boyes Speaks to Lions Club at Last Meeting

Bedford W. Boyes discussed the "ins and outs" of California State automobile registration at the Orinda Lions Club meeting Wednesday night.

Boyes is Director of Motor Vehicles in Oakland and has spent the last several years in this field. His talk included radical changes in registration next year as well as problems of the present

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WILSON'S THANKSGIVING

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Wilson spent Thanksgiving Day with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cunningham in San Jose. Also enjoying the dinner and family reunion were Mr. Wilson's mother, Mrs. Jena O. Wilson of Oakland, and Mrs. Juanita Wilson Torney, husband David and two children, Myrna Lou and Patrick.

THE MUMPS

Mary Matey is another of those extra sympathetic mothers. She has been having mumps with Ginney for the last week. The baby and George don't have it yet, but they expect it next.

SOUTH FOR SERVICES

The father of Pat Train, El Toyonal, passed away last Sunday in Los Angeles. Mr. and Mrs. Train went South for the services.

CELEBRATE BIG GAME

Celebrating the California-Stanford game last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stahle and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Devins who joined friends from town at the opening of Planters Dock in Lafayette.

TO BEGIN HOME

Construction is scheduled to begin this week on the Brent Inman home on Oakwood Road in Orinda. The Inman family has been residing in the two guest cottages on their acreage.

CLASS REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman of Estates Drive enjoyed the pre-game reunion of their class at the Palace Hotel last Friday evening. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stahle of Las Vegas Road.

RECOVERING

Mrs. Brad Barber of Upper Hidden Valley is recovering from an illness at the Women's and Children's Hospital in San Francisco.

HOME FROM EAST

William H. Foster of 49 Camino Lanada returned from the East on November 18th. He was away about ten days, visiting Chicago and New York on business and attending the convention of the National Canners Association.

WEEKEND TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elder and Sheri are vacationing over the Thanksgiving weekend. They will visit Mrs. Elder's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Chauncy Harter of Yuba City. They left Wednesday. Mr. Elder plans to do some hunting, and Mrs. Elder and Sheri are going to spend their spare time on horse-back.

Housewarming Given for Elkingtons

The members of the 12-15 Club and their husbands met at the Country Club on Sunday afternoon and then drove to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Elkington's home on Miner Road for a surprise housewarming.

Mr. and Mrs Elkington moved into their new home about three months ago and enjoy it more and more each day.

Mrs. George Hickok planned the party but unfortunately was unable to attend because of illness.

Guest list included: Mesdames and Messrs. Harry Doten, Richard Hafner, Claude Donaldson, Leo Alexander, Kenneth Anderson, Howard Fisher, Challis Gore, Warren Harrold, Lee Mattes, B. Seim, William Hechtman, Arthur Smith, J. Chappell; and Mesdames Olive Gerber, Florence Sullivan, Mary Pasperis; and Mr. George Hickok.

Mr. and Mrs. Elkington were presented with a beautiful "Deadar" tree.

The party started about 4:00 and ended with a delicious buffet supper, prepared by the ladies, at 9:00.

12-15 Club Fall Bazaar Success

The 12-15 Club held their Annual Fall Bazaar on Tuesday, November 23. It was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Malone on Loma Vista Drive.

The various articles that the women in the group have worked on in the past year were sold and the profits went, as usual, to the organization's philanthropic fund.

The decorations were in keeping with the Fall motif. Mrs. Claude Donaldson, Mrs. Harry Doten and Mrs. Charles Malone served tea from 3 to 4 p.m. There were about forty ladies attending the bazaar and tea.

All the members are looking forward to the affair next year and they all agree that it was a huge success, Mrs. George Hickok said.

Jane Seaman's Friends Enjoy Birthday Party

Jane Seaman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Seaman, entertained five of her friends at her birthday party on Saturday. The children had a wonderful afternoon, eating candy and playing with the presents.

Her guests were: Cheryl Locklin, Paul Locklin, Betsy Ann Kilburn, Kathy Reynolds and Carol Walker.

Fire Department Buys Latest Model Gas Mask

The Orinda Fire Department purchased some new equipment recently — the latest type of gas mask. Also, the fire department is happy to report that they have had no calls for the rattlesnake serum.

Big Game Reunion Held at Dorrs

One of the many Big Game celebrations which took place on Saturday night was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wells Dorr on Oakwood Road. A buffet supper was served to classmates and fraternity brothers and their wives.

Those who were there to celebrate the reunion were: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Adam of Berkeley, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Richardson of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Landis of San Mateo, Mr. and Mrs. John Stahle of Orinda, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Miller of Pasadena, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Usinger of Orinda, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Twining of Orinda, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Devin of Orinda, Mary Robinson of Berkeley, Ricchard Ricker of Berkeley, Mr. and Mrs. David McCauley of Modesto, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Stone of San Francisco.

After the supper the group adjourned to the Abracadabra Fraternity house of Ridge Road in Berkeley for an evening of dancing and festivity.

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